

UNIT 25: ROSE INLET

MANAGEMENT INTENT

State lands will be managed for fish and wildlife habitat and harvest, recreational uses, and resource development support facilities outside crucial habitat and harvest areas. The unit will be managed to allow continued use of the existing log transfer site in Grace Harbor. If it does not prove feasible and prudent to transport logs from the Rose Inlet area to the Grace Harbor site, a second site may be allowed in the outer portion of Rose Inlet. A-frame logging breakout points will be identified in parts of Rose Inlet, and Sealaska will be allowed access from Grace Harbor to its uplands for mineral exploration.

Abalone is found throughout the unit in prime habitat areas. Crab concentrations occur primarily in inner Rose Inlet.

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY USES

Refer to the land use designation map for this unit for primary and secondary uses and fish and wildlife ratings.

PROHIBITED USES

- Mineral location in mapped crucial fish and wildlife habitat and harvest areas.
- Floathomes in mapped crucial fish and wildlife habitat and harvest areas.
- Filling state tide and submerged lands for residential purposes.

MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

Refer to Chapter 2 for guidelines common to this and all management units. The following guidelines also apply to this specific unit:

- **Use of Existing Log Transfer Site at Grace Harbor.** A log transfer site exists at Grace Harbor. An additional site may be located in the outer portion of Rose Inlet. However, if it is feasible and prudent to transport logs to the Grace Harbor facility by road, siting an additional facility at Rose Inlet should be avoided.
- **Anchorage.** Use of anchorages depicted on land use designation maps will not be precluded.

- **Access to Private Uplands in Rose Inlet.** Private landowners are guaranteed access rights across state tidelands. However, fill used to enhance access will not be allowed in mapped crucial fish and wildlife habitat and harvest areas unless determined compatible through review procedures.
- **Developed Recreation Facilities in Crucial Habitat and Harvest Areas.** Based on available information, developed recreation facilities are initially determined incompatible within mapped crucial fish and wildlife areas. A specific proposal for a developed recreation facility may be considered for compatibility based on its design or on new habitat information.

NOTES

- There is one identified heritage site in the unit:
AHRS DE-43 Vista Point Village

FISH AND WILDLIFE INFORMATION

There are seven anadromous fish stream outlets in this unit. The creek at the head of Vesta Bay, in Section 17, is a pink salmon pre-emergent fry sample site. The streams at the heads of Rose Inlet, Grace Harbor, and Vesta Bay are particularly productive for both pink and chum salmon. All three bays have shrimp concentrations with commercial potential. These areas also have extensive tideflats that provide spawning habitat, and habitat for shellfish and for black bear concentrations. The shallow estuaries at the heads of these bays are identified as crucial habitat because they are salmon rearing habitat.

Subsistence abalone harvests occur along the outer shore of the bay and along outer Rose Inlet. Rose Inlet supports subsistence harvest of Dungeness crab. Grace Harbor supports king and Dungeness crab subsistence harvest.